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Date: 2/27/03By: [Signature]**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**IN RE APPLICATION OF: Charles W. Hewitt *et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/903,381

FILED: July 11, 2001

FOR: **CONTROL SAMPLES FOR USE AS STANDARDS
FOR EVALUATING APOPTOSIS IN A SELECTED
TISSUE**

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Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, Applicants elect caspase recited in claim 6 and Bc1₂ in claim 9 to begin prosecution with examination of claims 1-22, along with species elected in Applicants' previous response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 11, 2002.

No fees are believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any deficiency in fees herein to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,
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